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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to communication filed on 6/29/2004.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-3, 6-9, 12-14, 17-19, 22-24, 28-30, 34, 35 and 39.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 09 July 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

SUPPLEMENTAL ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. Receipt is acknowledged of amendments filed on 6/29/2004.
2. Claims 1-3, 6-9, 12-14, 17-19, 22-24, 28-30, 34-35, and 39 are presented for examination.
3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. John O'Banion on 25 February 2005 (see the interview summary, paper no. 2252005).

4. The application has been amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

5. Claim 30, line 16: Replace "claim 28" with -- claim 29--.
- Claim 34, line 16: Replace "claim 31" with -- claim 29--.

Allowable Subject Matter

6. Claims 1-3, 6-9, 12-14, 17-19, 22-24, 28-30, 34-35, and 39 are allowed.
7. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art of record, Bokor et al. (U.S. 6,555,828) taken alone or in combination with any other references fails to teach a means for simultaneously imaging multiple points in an area of a mask blank

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using reflections of light from an EUV light source, wherein the EUV detector is selected from a group of detectors consisting a CCD camera array and a micro-channel plate detector and a synchrotron. These limitations in conjunction with other limitations in the claimed invention were not shown by the prior art of record.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

8. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Johnson (U.S. 6,424,404) discloses multi-stage microlens array.

Baselmans et al. (U.S. 6,650,399) teaches lithographic projection apparatus, a grating module, a sensor module, a method of measuring wave front abbreviations.

Underwood et al. (U.S. 6,738,135) discloses system for inspecting EUV lithography masks.


Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to EDWYN LABAZE whose telephone number is (571) 272-2395. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael G. Lee can be reached on (571) 272-2398. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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